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I consider the Proposed Final Judgment in U.S. vs Microsoft to be an ineffective remedy to Microsoft's anticompetitive behavior.

As currently written, the PFJ doesn't give developers of competing operating systems a reasonable opportunity to create compatible products; it still allows exclusionary practices against hardware retailers; it doesn't address unfair licensing practices toward enterprise customers; and it allows discrimination against users of non-Microsoft products.

I believe limiting Microsoft's power will create more competition in the computer industry and will ultimately benefit the consumer, and I hope you will take steps to make this happen.

Sincerely yours,

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